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Solemn Thanksgiving

To Almighty God for the Wonderful Preservation of His Majesties Person, and His good Success towards the Reducing of *Ireland*; Together with His Safe and Happy Return into this Kingdom. To be used on *Sunday* the Nineteenth of this instant *October*, throughout the whole Kingdom.

By Their Majesties special Command.

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**I**T is His Majesties Pleasure, That this Form of Prayer and Solemn Thanksgiving, to be used on *Sunday* the Nineteenth of this Instant *October*, be forthwith Printed and Publisht ; Together with the Direction for a Prayer and Thanksgiving to be used in all Churches and Chapels on every *Lords-Day, Wednesday* and *Friday*, till further Order.

Nottingham.

The Prayer Intituled, *In time of War and Tumults*, is to be used on every *Lords-Day*, *Wednesday* and *Friday*, in its usual place. And also this following *Thanksgiving* is to be used immediately after the *General Thanksgiving*, during the War with the *French King*.

**A**lmighty and most gracious God, We bless and magnifie thy holy Name for thy late Mercies to us of these Kingdoms, in raising up thy Servant King WILLIAM to be a Deliverer to us in the Day of our Distress, and to rescue us from Popish Tyranny, when we were so near sinking under it; and in preserving him in so wonderful a manner, from those great and apparent Dangers to which he exposed his Royal Person for our Safety, and for the Deliverance of our suffering Brethren. We beseech thee still to continue him under the Wings of thy gracious Providence, to prosper their Majesties Government in these Kingdoms, to direct them in all their Consultations, to bless their Arms by Sea and Land against the Common Enemy and Oppressor, that Destructions may come to a perpetual End, and that Truth and Peace may flourish on the Earth, to the Glory of thy great Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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The Service for that Day, upon which the Thanksgiving shall  
be observed, must in all other respects be used, but where it  
is here ordered otherwise.

¶ The Prayers shall begin with these Sentences.

**N**Ot unto us, O Lord, not unto us : but un- P. lxxv. 1.  
to thy Name be the praise, for thy loving  
mercy and for thy truths sake.

It is of the Lords mercies that we are Lam. iii.  
not consumed : because his compassions fail not. 22.

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¶ Instead of the *Venite*, this Hymn shall be said or sung.

Pl. lxxxvi. 1. Sing we mercily unto God our strength : make a cheerful noyse unto the God of Jacob.

xx. 5. We will rejoyce in thy Salvation : and triumph in the Name of the Lord our God.

lxxxvi. 1. Lord, thou art become gracious unto thy land : thou hast turned away the captivity of Jacob.

2. Thou hast forgiven the offence of thy people : and covered all their sins.

cxliv. 10. Thou hast given victory unto kings : and hast delivered David thy servant from the perill of the sword.

lxxvii. 15. Thou hast mightily delivered thy people : even the sons of Jacob and Joseph.

xxi. 1. The King shall rejoyce in thy strength, O Lord : exceeding glad shall be he of thy salvation.

xxix. 11. The Lord will give strength unto his people : the Lord will bless his people with peace.

xx. 7. Some put their trust in chariots, and some in horses : but we will remember the name of the Lord our God.

8. They are brought down and fallen : but we are risen and stand upright.

cxix. 65. O Lord, thou hast dealt graciously with thy servants : according to thy word.

xxi. 13. Be thou exalted in thine own strength : so will we sing and praise thy power.

Glorie be to the Father, &c.

As it was in the beginning, &c.

¶ The proper Psalm. XVIII.

The first, *Isa.* 26. the twelve first verses.

*Te Deum.*

¶ Proper Lessons

The second, *Mat.* VII.

*Jubilate Deo.*

¶ After the Apostles Creed, and Lords Prayer, the Suffrages shall be as followeth;

Priest. O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

Answer. And grant us thy salvation.

Priest.

Priest, O Lord, save the King and Queen.

Ans. Who put their trust in thee.

Priest, Send them help from thy holy place,

Ans. And evermore mightily defend them.

Priest. Let their Enemies have no advantage against them,

Ans. Let not the wicked approach to hurt them.

Priest. Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

Ans. And make thy chosen people joyful.

Priest. Give peace in our time, O Lord.

Ans. Because there is none other that fighteth for us,  
but only thou, O God.

Priest. Be unto us, O Lord, a strong tower,

Ans. From the face of our enemies.

Priest. O Lord, hear our prayer,

Ans. And let our cry come unto thee.

¶ Instead of the Collect for the day, shall be used this following  
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of thy Church for him, in preserving him in so wonderful a  
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he exposed his Royal Person for our Safety, and for the  
Deliverance of our suffering Brethren. Blessed be thy  
Name, that thou hast given such visible Tokens of thy graci-  
ous Presence with him in this Expedition: That thou  
hast not only covered his Head in the day of Battle, but  
hast been a wall of Defence to him on every side, and hast  
given him great Increase of Honour and Victory, and hast  
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and that Truth and Peace may flourish on the Earth. And give us grace to live worthy of these Mercies, in all thankful Obedience to thy Divine Majesty, in dutiful Subjection to them whom thou hast set over us, in all Christian Charity and Condescension to one another, and in entire dependence on thy Will, which we have found so gracious to us of this Church and Nation. Grant this for thy Mercies sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ In the end of the *Litany*, after the Collect [*We humbly beseech thee, O Father, &c.*] shall this be said which followeth.

O Lord God of hosts, who disposhest of all things as seems best to thy infinite wisdom; We humble our selves before thee, adoring thy Divine Majesty for the mysterious and wise variety of thy late extraordinary Providences towards us. We acknowledge and confess, that our manifold and grievous sins have most justly provoked thy wrath and indignation against us: and therefore we cannot think strange of any Disappointment thou hast given us. If thou hadst destroyed us quite, we must have confessed that our destruction had been from our selves. It is of thy mercy, O Lord, that we are not consumed, because thy Compassions fail not. But as thou hast shewn thy self a God slow to anger, so we have found thee abundant in goodness and truth: especially in that marvellous loving kindness wherewith thou hast accompanied our Gracious King in his late Expedition; covering him under the shadow of thy wings, giving him Victory in Battel, and making him a happy Deliverer of a People brought low by Oppression; and now after so many Dangers hast restored him to us again in safety, for which we praise thy holy Name. Grant, we beseech thee, that these thy several Dispensations of Fatherly severity and goodness may have their due effect upon us, and all the Inhabitants of these Kingdoms. Let thy Judgments and Mercies both lead us to repentance. Teach us so to use the ill Success thou hast sent us, that it may be a means to abate all our Pride, Vainglory, Luxury, and mutual Animosities. And let the Prosperity thou hast blessed us with, raise in us a spirit of devout Thankfulness, renewed Obedience, fervent Love of thy Truth, and



and Zeal for thy Glory : that thou mayst vouchsafe to withdraw thy Judgments, to continue and increase thy Mercies, and accomplish the great Work thou hast begun, in establishing true Religion, together with Their Majesties Throne, and the Peace and Happines of this Kingdom, to the Glory of thy great Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Immediately before the Prayer of St. Chrysostom use the Collect of Thanksgiving [For Peace and Deliverance from our Enemies.]

**A** Almighty God, who art a strong Tower of defence unto thy servants against the face of their Enemies; We yield thee Praise and thanksgiving for our Deliverance from those great and apparent Dangers wherewith we were compassed. We acknowledge it thy goodness that we were not delivered over as a Prey unto them; beseeching thee still to continue such thy Mercies towards us, that all the world may know that thou art our Saviour and mighty Deliverer, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ In the Communion-Service, between the Commandments and the Epistle, shall this Collect be used instead of the Collect for the King.

**O** Most gracious God and merciful Father, who hast by thy infinite Power and Goodness, after so many great Dangers and Difficulties, brought home thy Servant our Sovereign Lord King WILLIAM in safety to his People in this kingdom, preserving unto us with him, and by him, the free Profession of thy sacred Truth and Gospel, together with our Civil Rights and Enjoyments; we beseech thee to grant him still the Defence of thy Salvation, and to shew forth thy loving kindness and mercy to him; and to rise up continually in our hearts all faithful Duty and Loyalty towards Their Majesties, with a religious Obedience, and Thankfulness unto thee for these and all other thy Mercies, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

¶ Then shall follow the Collect for the Day.

¶ Then the Epistle. *Heb. XI.* Verse 23. to Ver. 34.

**B**y faith Moses when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and

and they were not afraid of the kings commandment. By faith Moses when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaohs daughter; Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, then to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches then the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward. By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible. Through faith he kept the passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the first-born, should touch them. By faith they passed through the Red sea, as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do, were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days. By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace. And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae, of David also and Samuel, and of the prophets: Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

¶ The Gospel. S. Luke VIII. Verse 22. to Verse 25.

**N**OW it came to pass on a certain day, that he went into a ship with his disciples: and he said unto them, Let us go over unto the other side of the lake. And they launched forth. But as they sailed, he fell asleep: and there came down a storm of wind on the lake, and they were filled with water, and were in jeopardy. And they came to him, and awoke him, saying, Master, master, we perish. Then he arose, and rebuked the wind, and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm. And he said unto them, Where is your faith? And they being afraid, wondered, saying one to another, What manner of man is this? for he commandeth even the winds and water, and they obey him.

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## and Thanksgiving.

¶ After the Prayer [*For the whole state of Christs Church, &c.*] this Collect shall be used.

**O** Lord our God, we adore that infinite wisdom and Goodness which thou hast shewn to us of this sinful Church and Nation, in so many and great Deliverances as thou hast given us. Particularly it was of thy infinite mercy, that when we had reason to fear (as we had justly deserved) that thou shouldst have taken away the light of thy Gospel, and removed our Candlestick from us; yet then thou wert pleased to raise up thy Servant King William to be our Deliverer, and by his means to Reestablish our Church, and to preserve thy true Religion among us. Again, when by our unthankfulness for this Mercy, we had provoked thee to have taken away from us, not only the fruit of that Deliverance, but him that was the happy Instrument of it, and so to have left us for a prey unto our Enemies, that were then ready to swallow us up; thou wert pleased not onely to snatch us out of their Jaws, but to preserve him from so many Deaths round about him: And having made him a Deliverer also to our Brethren, thou art pleased at last to bring him home to us in safety for the farther establishing of our Church and Nation. Give us now, we beseech thee, such a sense of these Mercies as may make us truly thankful to thee, and thereby dispose us both for the continuance of these, and for such farther Mercies as thou seest needful for us in thy infinite Wisdom. In entire dependance on this, we humbly beseech thee still to preserve the Kings Royal Person, to bless his Arms by Sea and Land against the Common Enemy and Oppressor, to prosper his Majesties Government in these Kingdoms: and especially to carry on thy Work in his Hands, for the Establishing of true Religion that it may still continue among us, and may flourish more and more, and bring forth the fruits of righteousness to the Glory of thy Name; that thou mayst delight to dwell among us, and that we may be a Praise unto the Ends of the Earth. Grant all these things for thy Mercies sake, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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## A Form of Prayer, &c.

¶ A Prayer for all Mankind, and especially for the Reformed Churches.

**O** Lord our God, wonderful in Goodness and Truth, who hast declared that thy Mercies are over all thy Works; We that have found this by experience in our selves, beseech thee to extend them to all the rest of Mankind, and especially to our suffering Brethren. We know thy Arm is not shortned, thou canst save them as well as us. Add this, we beseech thee, to our Comfort, and the farther setting forth of thy Glory. Send them what Relief thou seest best for their several Necessities; Be thou a cover to them from the face of the Spoiler: Let the sighing of the Prisoners come before thee: according to the greatness of thy Power preserve them that are appointed to die. Visit them in thy good time that are banished for the Testimony of thy Truth: Gather thy Dispersed together, and restore the Outcasts of thy People: bring them home to worship thee peaceably in their own Land; And whatsoever any one hath lost for thy sake, restore it to him a hundred fold, which way thou seest best for him in this life; but especially, in those Graces and Comforts of thy Spirit, which are the Earnest and Pledges of everlasting life. And that all Mankind may partake of thy Mercy, we beseech thee to make them all capable of it. Enlighten them that are in Darkness and Error: reduce them that are gone astray: break the Bonds of them that are the Captives of Sin: convert even Wolves into Sheep: give a true sense of Religion to them that are the Enemies of it; and so bring them all into the Fold of thy Church, and make them living Members of the Body of Christ, that we may be all one flock under him the great Shepherd of our Souls. Grant this for his sake in whom thou art well pleased, to whom with thee, O Father, and the holy Spirit, be all Honour and Glory for evermore. Amen.

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